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Dear Mr. Bara:

This letter is prompted by the Commission's preliminary review of the report(s) referenced above. The review raised questions concerning certain information contained in the report(s). An itemization follows:

Schedule A of your report discloses contributions which (1) appear to exceed the limits set forth in the Act and (2) appear to be from a corporation (see attached). You should examine all of your contributions to check for additional excessive and prohibited contributions. The Committee's procedures for processing contributions should also be reviewed.

An individual or a political committee other than a qualified multicandidate committee may not make a contribution to a candidate for federal office in excess of \$1,000 per election. A qualified multicandidate committee and all affiliated committees may not make a contribution(s) to a candidate for federal office in excess of \$5,000 per election. The term "contribution" includes any gift, subscription, loss, advance, or deposit of money or anything of value made by any person for the purpose of influencing any election for federal office. (2 U.S.C. §441a(s) and (f); 11 CFR §110.1(b), (c) and (k))

Additionally, a contribution from a corporation is prohibited by the Act, unless it is made from a separate segregated fund established by the corporation. (2 U.S.C. §441b(a) and 11 CFR §103.3(b))